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BOARD OF GOVERNORS HOLD MEETING

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PROTEST AGAINST TELEPHONE COMPANY'S OBSTRUCTIONS

At a meeting of the board of governors of the Chamber of Commerce of Snyder, Texas, the constitution and by-laws were approved, to be reported back to the regular membership meeting to be held at the City Park Auditorium on Monday night, September 6, at 8 o'clock, for final adoption. In order that the members and prospective members may be familiar with the contents of the Signal published in this issue.

The finance committee made a report which was adopted, making the membership fee \$1.00 per month to be signed up in check form, payable at the bank with which the member carries account.

The chair appointed a committee of three, Marshall Fuller, J. P. Chambers and E. J. Anderson to appear before the City Council next Monday night with a protest against the Telephone Company placing poles on the public square and in sidewalks, also to request that an effort be made to get the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company to install a fifth light system. The chairman of the committee was instructed to notify the Mayor today.

Other important committees were instructed to get busy at once on their respective duties. They are:

Finance: O. P. Thrane, P. Brady and Ernest E. Grimes.

Membership: Geo. W. Harris, Marshall A. Fuller and Fritz R. Smith. The present revised Board of Governors are:

Geo. Norheim, H. G. Davenport, E. J. Anderson, F. J. Grayson, J. P. Chambers, J. K. Blackard, J. M. Denison, George W. Harris, H. G. Towle, M. A. Fuller, O. P. Thrane, E. P. Renken, Joe Strayhorn, E. E. Grimes and P. Brady. These members are requested to meet Monday, August 16, at 5 p. m.

Following are the proposed constitution and by-laws:

Name—The name of this organization shall be the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF SNYDER, TEXAS.

Purpose—The purpose of this organization shall be the encouragement, development and furthering of all worthy projects for the betterment of Snyder, and Scurry county.

Incorporation—This organization shall be incorporated without capital stock under the laws of the state of Texas.

Membership—Any person of good moral character upon payment of dues to the organization may become a member thereof.

Dues—Assessments—The dues and assessments of the organization shall be such as are levied by the Finance Committee and approved by the Board of Governors.

Board of Governors—The organization shall elect from its membership a board of Governors consisting of 15 members for one year, except the first eight of whom shall serve for 6 months and seven of whom shall serve for one year. Their duties shall be the selection of all officers for the organization to be approved by the membership of the organization, also the general supervision of the organization and its officers, appointment of committees, designating their duties and approval of expenditures.

Officers—The Board of Governors shall elect a President, one Vice President, a secretary and a treasurer, each to serve for the term of one year unless removed for cause by the majority vote of the Board and approval of the majority of the members of the organization. The duties of the officers shall be the same as outlined by Robert's rules.

Meetings—There shall be two regular semi-annual meetings of the entire organization to be held on the first Monday Nights of the Months of September and March at which meetings the vacancies in the board of Governors shall be filled and any other business that may come before the organization shall be transacted. The Board of Governors shall meet twice each month, on the first and third Friday nights of each month and 3 members shall constitute a

Familiar Scene on Scurry County Farms

Courtesy of The Snyder Chamber of Commerce



SNYDER COMPRESS NEARS COMPLETION

WILL BE READY FOR OPERATION BY THE COMING COTTON SEASON

The building and erection of the new cotton compress at Snyder is rapidly being pushed to completion and most of the machinery has been placed on the ground.

It is believed that the plant will be ready for service by the time cotton begins to roll in for shipment. Snyder can boast of having one of the best and most modern cotton compresses in Texas and the erection shows the result of concerted effort on the part of the citizenship of a town. In a little less than a half day the bonus was secured for this new enterprise. Let us keep our eyes and minds on other big institutions and secure them.

WILSON HURRIES TO WHITE HOUSE

MEXICAN TROUBLE CAUSES THE PRESIDENT TO RUSH BACK TO WASHINGTON

On Board the President's Yacht, off New Haven, Aug. 11—The President is rushing to Washington as a result of Carranza's note, saying that the Mexican people view with displeasure the attempt to frustrate the annexation of the Carranza forces. The President is determined to continue his efforts to restore peace despite the Carranza protest. He also will protect the foreigners in Vera Cruz by the use of United States warships.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Smith were here Friday from Post City, the guests of W. B. Stanfield and family. While in Snyder Mr. Smith purchased a new Dodge car and drove home Sunday.

quorum. Call meetings may be held at any time upon the discretion of the President or a majority number of the Board of Governors or of the majority members of the organization.

Expenditures—Shall be authorized by the board of governors; drafts therefor shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the President.

Compensation—Compensation to officers shall be determined by a majority vote of the board of governors.

Dropping of Members—The board of Governors shall have full power to dismiss or suspend members by a majority vote of said board for cause.

Amendments to these articles of constitution and by-laws—The constitution and by-laws of this organization may be amended at any regular meeting of the organization by a two thirds vote of the members present. Recommended August 12, 1915.

A FEW FREIGHT RATES INCREASED

I. C. C. DENIES ADVANCE IN MOST IMPORTANT CLASSES OF COMMODITIES

Washington, Aug. 11—The Interstate Commerce Commission today decided the western freight rates which will allow advances in certain commodities, but denying increase in the most important classes.

The decision affects all the territory west of the Mississippi, particularly the Southwest. The changes in the rates are regarded as insignificant by the Commission and are the result of an extended hearing at Chicago, where the railroad claimed that they must have increases to make their business bear profit.

Home Talent Show.

"Queen Flora's Birthday" is the title of a beautifully planned play which was presented by about thirty young people at the Airline last Friday night under the direction of Mrs. Wm. Peare.

The youngsters spent more time arranging costumes than they did in practice hence only a few were familiar with their respective parts, however the occasion was a great event in the lives of the participants who appeared before the foot lights for their first time.

The part of "Queen Flora" was taken by Dorothy Chambers and her fairy maid was little Helen Barnes. They both performed perfectly and were the stars of the evening.

The Signal is requested to announce that the entire company is to undergo a severe training and the show will be reproduced at a later date.

A large audience greeted this band of young people on their opening engagement. Watch for further announcements.

FERGUSON WIRES FOR MORE TROOPS

ASK THAT NUMBER OF SOLDIERS IN BORDER DISTRICT BE DOUBLED

Houston, Texas, Aug. 11—Governor Ferguson is becoming alarmed over the situation in the lower Rio Grande valley, where the Mexican population, supposedly aided by Carranza has risen in rebellion. The governor wired President Wilson, asking him to double the number of Federal troops now on duty in the Rio Grande valley.

The governor stated that he had considered this action before, but had purposely delayed making the request up to the present emergency, hoping that the situation might clear up. Conditions now are perilous and grave, he said.

REINFORCEMENTS TO GO TO BORDER

FUNSTON NOW HAS SEVENTEEN THOUSAND TROOPS TO MEET REBELS

Washington, Aug. 11—According to reports from the War Department American reinforcements will meet the raids by guerrilla Mexicans along the borders of Texas. The department is only now waiting word from Gen. Funston who has 17,000 men available for any emergency.

Secretary of War Garrison said tonight that if any Carranza troops were found on the American side they would be shot if they resisted arrest. Gen. Funston reports his belief that the main trouble has risen over a political feud in the border counties between the Mexican-Americans and those of Anglo-Saxon descent. He says that he believes the subject of the proposed rebellion is for the purpose of annexing 21,514 square miles of Texas country to Mexico.

GRIMES AND WIFE LEAVE HOSPITAL

VICTIMS OF TEMPLE TRAGEDY HAVE RECOVERED FROM MURDEROUS BLOW

Temple, Texas, Aug. 11—W. H. Grimes, one of the victims of the tragedy enacted in his home recently, was able to leave the hospital yesterday for the first time since receiving his injuries. Although still weak from the effects of the terrible blow sustained he is on the way to complete recovery and will soon be as well as ever. Mrs. Grimes has sufficiently improved to also leave the hospital and is now with relatives in this city. It will be several weeks before she will be able to get around.

Married Last Tuesday Night.

On last Tuesday, August 10, 1915, at 8 o'clock p. m., Mr. Wade Walter Winston and Miss Leola Stokes were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Stokes in West Snyder. Rev. Chapman, the Union Methodist, performing the ceremony.

Miss Stokes is a charming young lady of this city, possessed with many womanly traits and accomplishments and is loved by all who know her.

Mr. Winston is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Winston, also of Snyder, and is one of Scurry county's coming business men.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston will reside on the ranch 14 1/2 miles north of Snyder.

The Signal joins their many friends in extending congratulations and best wishes for a long, happy and prosperous future.

TRAIN SCHEDULES CHANGE SUNDAY

NEW AND CONVENIENT PASSENGER CONNECTIONS WILL BE INAUGURATED

New and convenient passenger connections will be established at Roscoe via R. & P. and the T. & P. railroads. The new schedule will be put in effect Sunday, August 15.

There will be a change in schedule on the Texas & Pacific railway at Roscoe that will afford very convenient connections for passengers to and from Snyder over the Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific.

The Texas & Pacific said Sunday train No. 4 will leave Roscoe at 9:15 p. m., affording early connection with the Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific, south bound, leaving Snyder at 4 p. m. The full schedule of the Texas & Pacific trains at Roscoe will be as follows: East bound No. 4 will leave Roscoe at 9:15 a. m. and Roscoe bound No. 4 will leave at 9:10 p. m. West bound No. 3 will leave at 8:15 p. m. and West bound No. 3 will leave at 7:40 a. m. connecting with the Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific north bound, arriving at Snyder at 10:15 a. m.

The Texas & Pacific evening train and sleeping car, leaving Roscoe at 9 p. m. will be discontinued to Texas & Pacific No. 4, arriving at Roscoe at 8 p. m. will take its place. The Roscoe, Snyder & Pacific will publish complete train and sleeper schedule in our next issue.

A Garden Party.

On the spacious lawn of the residence of Mrs. George Harris, Friday afternoon, August 6th, the R. R. & P. club entertained in an attractive manner their friends and the ladies who are visiting there.

At five o'clock, the appointed hour, the silver-like grounds were thronged with the fortunate guests, arranged in lady summer gowns and gaudy hats. They were received by the gracious hostess, assisted by her house-guest, Mrs. Collier and accept of the club members.

Each guest was first escorted to the punch bowl where two white-apricot, white-coated waiters served the delicious beverage.

Small tables were scattered about the lawn. At these the ladies played five games of 21, while from the veranda floated the soft, sweet music of a Victrola, which mingled with the fragrance of the flower-garden. Every thing available had been secured to lend charm to this delightful afternoon party.

At the close of the game, cake with ice-cream in club colors, purple and white, was served.

The guests departed at seven o'clock after having enjoyed one of the most picturesque and beautiful affairs ever given in Snyder.

Mrs. W. P. Huddick of Colorado and Mrs. Sam A. Shannon of Dallas are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Towle.

MEXICAN INVASION TO TAKE TEXAS

FIVE THOUSAND PLEDGED TO REVOLT—REINFORCED BY CARRANZA TROOPS.

Brownsville, Aug. 11—Nearly every American in three counties is armed to repel an uprising of the overwhelming Mexican population in South Texas, who have been worked up to fever heat by agitators who are urging that they conquer the district for Mexico. A battalion of the Ninth cavalry has been ordered into the danger zone to reinforce the troops already there in case of an uprising. They leave Laredo tonight. The Hidalgo county rangers in pursuing the Mexican band which yesterday killed an American trooper, captured 24 Mexican flag bearing the legends "The Army of Liberation for Mexicans in Texas."

Federal authorities, it is just learned, last winter sniped in the bud a revolt by arresting the Mexican leaders. They are accused of a plan to kill every American male on the border, over sixteen from California to the Gulf of Mexico.

Major General Funston tonight stated that five thousand Mexican Americans are already pledged to revolt. Armed civilians are guarding the Rio Grande below Brownsville, where several hundred Mexicans are reported to be ready to cross tonight.

A Hidalgo county ranchman has appealed for help. He said that 30 armed Mexicans had arrived on his ranch and threatened to kill him if he disclosed their presence. Brownsville officers have received reports that 1,700 former Carranza soldiers have crossed the river. After crossing they separated into small bands, according to the Mexicans in the isolated districts to fight the American troops.

Near Mercedes American aviators have pushed the raiders so hard that several bands have been forced back into Mexico. They captured 25 horses from one band. Reports that the Mexican-American politicians encouraged the revolt has caused much resentment. Laredo refugees stated that thousands of Mexicans on that side of the river have been aroused to fury at stories of alleged harsh deeds Mexico by the American refusal to recognize Carranza.

American declare that the army leaders committed at the invasion of Texas to force favorable United States action. American citizens have been forced to flee for their lives from the border towns on the Mexican side.

ONE MEETS DEATH IN D. R. G. WRECK

SPECIAL TRAIN WITH LANDSLIDE IN MOUNTAINS OF COLORADO

Grand Junction, Colo., Aug. 11—A special train carrying President H. F. Bush of the Denver & Rio Grande railroad was wrecked four miles south of here in a landslide. Engineer O. M. Patton was fatally injured. The private cars were undamaged by the avalanche of rocks from the mountains.

People at Playhouse.

A large number of Snyder people attended the play at Elginville yesterday, going through in their cars in order to stay over for the dance last night. Those who went on the R. R. & P. report a big time and a good dinner.

Among those who went by rail were: W. W. Weems and wife, Philip Young, Dr. O. A. Scarborough, J. W. Templeton, Miss Minnie Lindsey, Mrs. J. P. Chambers, Dorothy Chambers, W. E. Adkinson and others.

E. E. Matthews, of the Quality Store left Sunday for the Eastern markets to make his fall and winter purchases of a better grade goods for the splendid line of customers this store now enjoys. Mrs. Matthews will also go later.